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26. The apparatus as defined in claim 25, wherein said hydrophobic filter means comprises an elongated filter member mounted along one wall of the housing body portion defining said discharge chamber, said wall being formed with at least one port and including a cover member adapted to support said elongated filter member positioned exteriorly of said wall and said port, said wall including a cover member adapted to support said elongated filter member between said cover member and said wall.

27. The apparatus as defined in claim 26, wherein said cover member includes at least one port open to the ambient atmosphere, whereby said discharge chamber is in communication with the ambient atmosphere only through said filter.

28. The apparatus as defined in claim 25, wherein said housing body portion defining said discharge chamber includes a port connectable to suction means for applying suction to the discharge chamber of said apparatus to assist in drainage.

29. The apparatus as defined in claim 25, wherein said housing body portion defining said discharge chamber includes a port connectable to drainage collection means for receiving discharge from said discharge chamber.

30. The apparatus as defined in claim 29 including drainage collection means comprising a plurality of collection containers, distributing means for selectively distributing drainage received from said discharge chamber to each of said plurality of collection containers, and a conduit leading from said port to said distributing means for conducting drainage from said port to said distributing means.

31. A sterile kit for the drainage of a body cavity comprising:

- a sealed package the interior of which is sterile;
- apparatus for drainage of a body cavity positioned within the interior of said package, comprising:
 - a housing body having portions defining an inlet chamber and a discharge chamber;
 - said housing body portion defining said inlet chamber having mounting means for supporting a catheter in sealed arrangement therewith and in fluid communication with said inlet chamber;
 - a catheter supported by said mounting means and extending outwardly from said inlet chamber, said catheter being in fluid communication with said inlet chamber;

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an inlet port in said housing body portion defining said inlet chamber having inlet port sealing means which is adapted to reversibly receive a trocar and enable at least a portion of the trocar to pass through said inlet chamber and said catheter, and said inlet port sealing means for sealing said chamber against the ambient atmosphere in the absence of and upon insertion and withdrawal of a trocar from at least said catheter

a one-way valve mounted in said housing body and coupling said inlet chamber with said discharge chamber so as to prevent the passage of fluid between said chambers except through said valve, said valve having its inlet end in communication with said inlet chamber, said valve having its outlet end in fluid communication with said discharge chamber, said valve being adapted to permit the irreversible passage of drainage material passing therethrough from its inlet end to its outlet end; and

a trocar positioned within the interior of said package having a portion adapted upon utilization of the apparatus to be inserted into said inlet chamber through said inlet port and through said catheter into a body cavity to be drained, and to be withdrawn from said body cavity, said catheter and said inlet chamber, while leaving the catheter in communication with said body cavity, while the portion in the inlet chamber and inlet port is sealed against the ambient atmosphere by a said sealing means.

32. The sterile kit as defined in claim 31, wherein said one-way valve mounted in said housing body of said apparatus is a one-way elongated valve being formed of a sleeve of substantially resilient, fluid impervious material, having its inlet and held open, said valve being normally held closed along a substantial length of the sleeve by the substantial resilience of the material of said sleeve and adapted to progressively open and close to permit the irreversible passage of draining material passing therethrough.

33. The sterile kit as defined in claim 32, wherein the apparatus for drainage of a body cavity includes a second one-way valve mounted in said housing body between and in fluid communication with said inlet chamber and the inlet end of the sleeve of said first one-way elongated valve so as to prevent the passage of fluid between said inlet chamber and said first one-way elongated valve except through said second valve.

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